

FLEETS OF ALLIES SHREDDING ITS DEFENSES OF THE DARDANELLES

Subjected to a Violent Bombardment.

GUNS OF THE WARSHIPS HAVE A LONGER RANGE

Fort on European Side Reported Silenced, But Extent of Damage Is Not Known.

LONDON, February 20, 3:52 p.m.—The British and French fleets, it was officially announced here today, bombarded the forts of the Dardanelles Friday, with considerable effect.

The bombardment of the Dardanelles was renewed today, the announcement added, with seaplanes and aeroplanes co-operating.

Fired at Long Range.

The text of the official announcement issued this afternoon by the British admiralty says: "Yesterday morning at 8 o'clock a British fleet of battleships and battle cruisers, accompanied by flotillas and torpedoes, was ordered to bombard the forts of the Dardanelles, the whole under the command of Vice Admiral Carden, began an attack upon the forts at the entrance to the Dardanelles.

The forts at Cape Helles and Kum Kale, long-range fire. Considerable effect was produced on two of the forts. Two others were frequently hit, but being open earthworks, it was difficult to estimate the damage. The forts, being outgunned, were unable to reply to our fire.

Closed In on Forts.

"At 2:45 o'clock in the afternoon a portion of the battle fleet force was ordered to close in and engage the forts at closer range with their secondary armament.

"The forts on both sides of the entrance were opened fire and were engaged at moderate ranges by the Venetian, Corrientes, Triumph, Suffren, and Agamemnon at long range. The forts on the European side were apparently silenced. One fort on the Asiatic side was still firing when the operations were suspended. The forts on the Asiatic side were unable to reply to our fire.

Engagement Is Renewed.

"The action was renewed this morning after an aerial reconnaissance by British aeroplanes. The ship Ark Royal is in attendance with a number of seaplanes and aeroplanes of the naval wing.

Reuter's Petrograd correspondent sends the following: "A dispatch from the Caucasus says that Turkish forces have been ordered to leave the Caucasus by the Russian instructors, and that not one of the instructors was among the many prisoners taken."

Official Turkish Version.

AMSTERDAM, via London, February 20, 4:47 p.m.—A dispatch from Constantinople gives the following official statement issued by the Turkish war office.

"Early Saturday morning British and French ships renewed their bombardment of the outer forts of the Dardanelles. The bombardment was without success. One soldier was slightly wounded by a fragment of stone. "Eight armoured ships, which were ordered to bombard the forts of the Dardanelles for seven hours without silencing them, fired shots from guns of great caliber. "Three hostile armored ships were damaged. One of them, a flagship, was damaged severely."

Another version of the Turkish report as received here from Constantinople says that in the Turkish side one man was killed and another slightly injured.

ATHENS, via London, February 20, 4:45 p.m.—It is reported here that the Anglo-French fleet destroyed Turkish forts on the Asiatic side of the Dardanelles during the bombardment this morning. The forts on the European side subsequently were attacked and are still firing.

EXPLAINS SHELLING BELGRADE

Bombardment of Serbian Capital Is Action in Reprisal.

Bombardment of Belgrade and warning of future similar bombardments were explained by the Vienna foreign office in dispatches sent to the embassy here today as action in reprisal for the shelling of open towns by Serbs. The dispatch says: "In the southern war theater the Serbs repeatedly shelled open towns, thus killing many civilians and children, especially in Semlin. The Austro-Hungarian commanders replied, shelling Belgrade during the night of the 19th. The Serbs at the same time shelling the open towns by them will always elicit a similar response."

HEARING IS POSTPONED.

Inquiry Into Alleged South Texas Conspiracy to Begin Next Saturday.

CORPUS CHRISTI, Tex., February 20.—The preliminary inquiry into the alleged conspiracy to form a republic of Mexican and negroes in south Texas by an uprising next Monday, Washington Saturday by United States Commissioner Southgate because of the absence of witnesses.

ASK FOR HEARING.

Business Men to Urge Postal Facilities in Department Building.

The committee of merchants and other business men who recently sent a letter to the Postmaster General urging the restoration of postal facilities in the Post Office department building expects a reply within the next few days, according to statements made today by J. Edgar Hoover, chairman of the committee.

"I hope to hear from the Postmaster General by Monday," said Mr. Grover. "Our letter urging the restoration of postal facilities in the department building was sent a week ago, and a reply is expected at any moment."

Mr. Grover hopes that the Postmaster General will give the merchants and business men an opportunity to explain why they want the postal facilities restored.

TAX ON MIXED FLOUR LIKELY TO BE NULLED

House Committee Expected to Favorably Report the Volmer Bill.

WILSON'S CALL ON CLARK IS SUBJECT OF COMMENT

President Visits Speaker's Home to Confer Over Shipping Bill During Senate Session.

President Wilson's informality and his cordial relations with prominent democrats are being talked about, following a visit he made to the home of Speaker Clark. One night last week, when the situation under the ship purchase bill was tense in Congress and the President had held protracted conferences with leading democrats, he concluded to discuss the subject with Speaker Clark.

Instead of asking the Speaker to call at the White House, as has been the custom for years, he decided to visit the Speaker's home. Ascertaining that Mr. Clark was at home, he made the call, spending an hour with the Speaker. It was at this conference that the agreement was reached to put the ship bill through the House.

President Wilson has called at few Washington homes. Once he went to the home of Senator Stone when the senator was ill.

MAYFLOWER CLUB FORMED.

Pupils of Business High School Organize for Dances.

The Mayflower Club was organized yesterday by pupils of Business High School. The object of this club is to further the art of dancing among the members. Dances will be given the first Wednesday of every month. The membership has been restricted to twenty. The next meeting will be to adopt the constitution and make special arrangements for the monthly meetings.

The membership includes Misses Ruth B. Humphrey, Helen Humphrey, Peggy Manning, Vivian Shepperson, Nellie Lawler and Golder Norton, and Joseph C. McGarraghay, Robert Miller, Romine Taylor, N. E. Duerhing, W. E. Griffith, W. Culligan and A. Crawford. The officers elected were Joseph C. McGarraghay, president; Miss Ruth B. Humphrey, vice president; Miss Golder B. Norton, secretary; Andrew A. Crawford, treasurer.

SUSPECTS STILL HELD.

No Developments in Reported "Hold-Up" on the "Florida Flyer."

J. M. Huff, superintendent of the Adams Express Company, Washington, today declared that there have been no developments in the reported "hold-up" by two masked robbers of the express messengers in a car of the "Florida Flyer," after it left Washington night before last.

The two men who were arrested at Alexandria early yesterday morning, under suspicion of having been concerned in the matter are still detained today, pending developments.

Kreiser Concert.

A recital by the eminent violinist, Fritz Kreiser, proved an interesting and popular musical event at the New National Theater yesterday afternoon. The program was an attractive one, well calculated to display the proficiency of the performer. The accompaniment was provided by the orchestra. A large and enthusiastic audience was in attendance.

Builders' Luncheon Proving Popular.

About thirty members of the Builders and Manufacturers' Exchange held their weekly "get together" luncheon today, at the New Ebbitt hotel. This afternoon. These luncheon meetings are proving popular with the members of the exchange. Since a large percentage of the firms engaged in the building trades in this city have been closed since the outbreak of the war, the members are free to attend the luncheons.

Women of the Portuguese Province of Mozambique, Africa, make a white cosmetic by grinding a certain kind of wood in water.

Value Received!

That's the golden rule of modern business. It applies to the seller as well as the buyer. It makes for mutual satisfaction in every business transaction.

Advertisers in The Star get value received—they get circulation, and circulation produces results.

The Star tells its advertising patrons publicly every Saturday and Sunday exactly how much circulation they received for their advertising expenditures during the week previous.

This certain knowledge makes advertisers use The Star most extensively and consistently.

WEEKLY CIRCULATION STATEMENT

1914		1915	
Saturday, February 14	66,399	February 13	73,242
Sunday, February 15	50,493	February 14	55,046
Monday, February 16	67,031	February 15	73,036
Tuesday, February 17	68,033	February 16	74,978
Wednesday, February 18	68,387	February 17	74,831
Thursday, February 19	68,161	February 18	75,101
Friday, February 20	67,954	February 19	74,930

AFFIDAVIT.

I solemnly swear that the above statement represents only the number of copies of THE EVENING STAR and SUNDAY STAR circulated during the seven days ended February 19, 1915—that is, the number of copies actually sold, delivered, furnished or mailed, for valuable consideration, to bona fide purchasers or subscribers—and that the copies so counted are not returnable to or do not remain in the office of the publisher, except in the case of Sunday papers sent to out-of-town agents, from whom a few returns of unsold papers have not yet been received.

FLEMING NEWBOLD, Business Manager, The Evening Star Newspaper Company.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this twentieth day of February, A.D. 1915.

(Seal) E. E. RAMSEY, Notary Public.



IN ORDER TO ESTABLISH THEIR IDENTITY WHILE SAILING THROUGH THE WAR ZONE ESTABLISHED BY GERMAN, MANY OF THE NEUTRAL SHIPS LEAVING THE PORT OF NEW YORK HAVE PAINTED ON THEIR SIDES THEIR NAMES IN LARGE LETTERS. THIS PICTURE SHOWS WORKMEN PAINTING THE NAME OF THE NIEUW AMSTERDAM OF THE HOLLAND-AMERICAN LINE.

JERSEY CITY POSTMASTER WILL BE MATTHIAS C. ELY

President Picks Newspaper Man to End Controversy—F. H. Clark May Get Vermont Berth.

Matthias C. Ely, editor of the Hudson Observer of Hoboken, will be the next postmaster of Jersey City. President Wilson has determined to put an end to the prolonged fiddling and fusing over the place by selecting Mr. Ely, a dark horse. The nomination will go to the Senate in time for confirmation before adjournment. Mr. Wilson had been offered a set of candidates by Representative Hamill, Sheriff Kinkead and Secretary Tumulty, whose home is in Jersey City. The President believed the best way to end the controversy was by selecting a "neutral" man, which he has done. Mr. Ely is a friend and adherent of Otto Wittenberg, for a long time the leader of the county.

Another newspaper man may be given a post office appointment by the President. He is Frank H. Clark of Windsor, Vt., the post office for Cornish, N. H., President Wilson's summer home. Clark is known to officials of the White House. Democrats are mighty scarce in that part of the country, but Clark has opposition from one of the few other citizens of that allegiance in the region. Clark has come to Washington in the interest of his candidacy. He was at the White House today in consultation with Secretary Tumulty.

DECLARES SERBIA PLANS AN INVASION OF ALBANIA

BERLIN, February 20 (by wireless).—A statement from the Overseas News Agency says that it is the intention of Serbia to invade Albania.

"Reports from Sofia, Bulgaria, state that the incursions of the Albanians into Serbian territory are welcome to Serbia," says the statement. "The Serbians intend to use the present interval in the operations of the Austrian army in the Balkans to push an advance into the Adriatic, supported by the co-operation of the Anglo-French fleet."

Builders' Luncheon Proving Popular.

About thirty members of the Builders and Manufacturers' Exchange held their weekly "get together" luncheon today, at the New Ebbitt hotel. This afternoon. These luncheon meetings are proving popular with the members of the exchange. Since a large percentage of the firms engaged in the building trades in this city have been closed since the outbreak of the war, the members are free to attend the luncheons.

Women of the Portuguese Province of Mozambique, Africa, make a white cosmetic by grinding a certain kind of wood in water.

FRANCE HOPED TO AVERT WAR BY UNITED FRONT TO GERMANY

LONDON, February 20.—Correspondence between President Poincare, France and King George of England, just before the outbreak of the war, is published here. In a letter dated July 31, President Poincare expressed the opinion that "war would be inevitable if Germany were convinced that the British government would not later, to the prolonged fiddling and fusing over the place by selecting Mr. Ely, a dark horse. The nomination will go to the Senate in time for confirmation before adjournment. Mr. Wilson had been offered a set of candidates by Representative Hamill, Sheriff Kinkead and Secretary Tumulty, whose home is in Jersey City. The President believed the best way to end the controversy was by selecting a "neutral" man, which he has done. Mr. Ely is a friend and adherent of Otto Wittenberg, for a long time the leader of the county."

ITALIAN GOVERNMENT REFUSES TO TELL ATTITUDE TOWARD WAR

ROME, February 20.—The extreme parties in the chamber of deputies vainly tried at last night's sitting to force the government to discuss the foreign policy of Italy. The socialists presented a proposal to discuss the budget of foreign affairs, but the measure was immediately defeated by a vote of 254 to 27. "President Poincare, in the name of the republicans, presented a motion in which he said that as the Italian army and navy were now ready, diplomatic preparations completed and all appropriations asked for granted, the government should make an explicit declaration whether it was for war or for a continuance of neutrality."

War Officially Reported

AUSTRIAN STATEMENT.

VIENNA, via London, February 20.—On the Russian-Polish front yesterday (Thursday) there was more activity. The Russians increasing their activity in the Carpathians, and with a view to the Serbian intentions behind their fighting line. In several sections actions developed and advanced Russian parties were repelled.

In West Galicia our troops took some of the positions of the enemy's line. The Tyrolean-Kaiserjäger, who stormed a fortified village, captured 100 prisoners and 100 rifles.

In the Carpathians stubborn fighting continues. North of Nadworna and Kolomoia, the Russian forces are attacking, inflicting great losses. The enemy's fighting is increasing in violence.

In the southern theater the Serbians lately repeatedly have bombarded open towns on our frontier. Russian heavy guns were fired on Semlin. Several buildings were damaged, and children were killed. On the 17th Mitrovica was shelled, whereupon the commandant ordered short bombardment of Belgrade with heavy guns. Representatives were sent to inform the Serbians that the bombardment by the Serbians hereafter will be answered by an Austrian reply.

Baron Stephen Burián, the Austrian foreign minister, started last night for the Austrian staff headquarters, where he will meet Dr. von Bethmann-Hollweg, the German Imperial chancellor.

RUSSIAN STATEMENT.

PETROGRAD, February 19, via London, February 20.—The Russian troops in the region of Augustow are leaving the sphere of fighting. Near Oswest, on the road to Roma, an action developed. Our troops, on the Donajec river (Galicia) front, intense firing is going on. The attempt of the Austrians to approach our works on the left bank of the river near Ostroff broke down.

In the Carpathians, in the region of Kassanki and northeast of Stropok, we repulsed a series of Russian attacks. Our troops by a dash of bayonet attack captured the height north of Vozavodok a small fortified position. The German counter attacks in massed formation were all repulsed with heavy losses.

In the Wyszok region, where sanguinary fighting continues, we have taken in the last few days over 2,000 prisoners and six machine guns.

GERMAN STATEMENT.

BERLIN, February 20, by wireless to Seydlitz, N. Y.—In the western theater of the war: stop work and leave the country. The trouble between the whites and the negroes seems to have its origin in the land rental system. Last December the white renters demanded a reduction from \$6 to \$3 an acre. The negroes were content to continue paying \$6, and when new rent contracts were drawn up in January more negroes than ever were given places on the farms.

Discontent among the whites then developed, and personal threats were followed by the posting of notices for the negroes to leave. The more prosperous whites have abandoned the land and are trying to prevent the exodus of negroes from becoming general.

NEGROES ORDERED TO LEAVE.

Night Riders in New Madrid County, Mo., Clear the District.

NEW MADRID, Mo., February 20.—As the result of warnings of "night riders" that they must leave the district before Tuesday morning, nearly 300 negroes left New Madrid county last night and this morning. Possibly as many more are preparing to depart before the time limit expires. Thus far there has been no violence. Negroes working on the government levee at Lenda and Doran in Mississippi county also have been notified to stop work and leave the country.

SAYS FOREIGN INTERESTS CONTROL SHIPPING VIEWS

Wallace Downey, New York Ship Broker, Testifies Before Special Senate Committee.

Charges that representatives of foreign shipping interests, "these big moneyed principal committees of many chambers of commerce, boards of trade and maritime exchanges and have 'honey-combed' the American maritime field were made today by Wallace Downey, a New York ship broker, before a special Senate committee investigating the alleged lobby against the administration ship bill.

Downey told the committee he was the organizer of the United States Merchant Marine Association, which restricted its membership to American citizens. Representatives of the shipping interests have joined these organizations, secured control of the principal committees and when the organization takes a position on a maritime matter, where the line must be drawn between foreign shipping interests and American interests, they dictate the resolutions. Thus, you gentlemen in Congress and other legislative bodies do not get the real American viewpoint in such matters. For this reason we made the limitation. Downey added that as a director of the New York Maritime Exchange, he had endeavored to pass resolutions favorable to American shipping, but had been unable to do so.

Controlled by Foreign Interests.

"The maritime field of this nation," repeated Downey, "has been honey-combed with representatives of the foreign shipping interests. Innumerable organizations, such as chambers of commerce, boards of trade, and maritime exchanges have been formed in this country. Representatives of the foreign shipping interests have joined these organizations, secured control of the principal committees and when the organization takes a position on a maritime matter, where the line must be drawn between foreign shipping interests and American interests, they dictate the resolutions. Thus, you gentlemen in Congress and other legislative bodies do not get the real American viewpoint in such matters. For this reason we made the limitation."

Downey added that as a director of the New York Maritime Exchange, he had endeavored to pass resolutions favorable to American shipping, but had been unable to do so.

Depend on Foreign Shipping.

"There is usually a majority of these men," he said, "who are good American citizens, no doubt, but whose bread and butter depends on foreign shipping interests."

The committee received in evidence a statement by Secretary McAdoo, accompanied by correspondence between Secretary and Senator Brewster, setting forth the reasons why the Secretary had charged the Secretary with aiming to buy German ships laid up in American ports.

At the close of the examination of Mr. Downey the committee adjourned until next Thursday.

CATHOLIC CLERGY HELD FOR \$500,000 RANSOM

Only Foreign Priests in Mexico City Exempted, Say Diplomats.

All the native Roman Catholic clergy in Mexico City are being held for a half million dollars ransom, official dispatches from the Mexican capital received here today say, and the only priests exempted are those of foreign nationality, who have been ordered to leave the country. Several days ago the State Department was informed that Gen. Obregon, in command of the capital, intended to levy a special tax upon the Catholic clergy, and those of the New Testament who had gone to the length of imprisoning the priests.

Orders Restoration.

The Carranza agency last night made public a telegram from Gen. Carranza announcing that he had ordered the restoration of property worth \$23,000 alleged to have been seized from the Eagle Pass Lumber Company by military authorities in Coahuila. The company had complained to the local agency.

State Department advices from Vera Cruz explained that the Mexican capital received here today say, and the only priests exempted are those of foreign nationality, who have been ordered to leave the country.

Several days ago the State Department was informed that Gen. Obregon, in command of the capital, intended to levy a special tax upon the Catholic clergy, and those of the New Testament who had gone to the length of imprisoning the priests.

LECTURE IS POSTPONED.

Mrs. Earl's Audience Small Because of Donation Week Activities.

Donation week is proving such a success, and is enlisting the good offices of the women of the District Federation of Women's Clubs to such an extent, that Mrs. Louise H. Earl postponed her lecture on "The Bible and the Book of the Old Testament," which she was to have given at the Public Library this morning, under the auspices of the federation, on "The Greatest and Least Understood Book."

In an informal talk to those present Mrs. Earl explained her method of Bible study by the use of two charts of her own device. "I have not been able to read the Bible," she declared, "if it did not constantly encourage new methods of Bible study. I have not been able to read the Bible, if it did not constantly encourage new methods of Bible study. I have not been able to read the Bible, if it did not constantly encourage new methods of Bible study."

AWAITS PLAN FOR INQUIRY.

Senate Committee Defers Excise Board Probe Until Monday.

Because the subcommittee appointed to draw up a plan for the investigation of the excise board and the manner in which the excise laws are enforced in the District of Columbia had not yet completed its work, Senate Sheppard, chairman of the full committee, postponed the meeting of the full committee, scheduled for today, until Monday.

"At that time the subcommittee will be ready, I think, to submit a plan of procedure to the committee," said Senator Sheppard, "and the investigation will be proceeded with as quickly as possible. I hope that we will be able to complete it before the end of the present session of Congress."

May Again Lead G. O. P. Forces.

There will be no caucus of the republicans of the next House until the Tuesday preceding the opening of the Sixty-fourth Congress. This was determined yesterday by the republicans, who met then to discuss plans. Representative Mann of Illinois was mentioned generally as his own successor as floor leader.

Germany Apologizes to Switzerland.

BERN, Switzerland, February 20, via Paris.—The Swiss government has received a note from the German government saying that the German government was sorry that the German note in the region of the frontier of Alsace had been published. The German note said that the German government was sorry that the German note in the region of the frontier of Alsace had been published.

CHECKS FOR PENNIES FOR LOCAL CHARITIES

Two Extremes of Giving Urged by Clubwomen for District Donation Week.

W. C. T. U. LEADERS KEPT BUSY "RUSHING THE CAN"

Church Workers "Pitching Coins" Also Unusual Sight in Campaign for Local Charities.

To make District donation week the Sunday for the relief of the indigent local charities two extremes of giving are urged today.

Those who can afford to send in large checks should do so at once, according to former Commissioner Henry B. F. Macfarland, chairman of the men's committee.

Every one should put pennies or a nickel in the contribution boxes which have been set up in nearly 150 places throughout the District, according to the plea made by Mrs. Ellis Logan, president of the District Federation of Women's Clubs, who is directing the week's campaign.

That is the spirit of the city-wide effort, those who can afford to give generously should do so and all should give a little.

Workers in this cause throughout the city are almost unanimous in saying that the striking feature of the contributions thus far is that the well-dressed persons, those apparently poor circumstances themselves are giving small amounts regularly.

Cash Boy Proves an Aid.

An illustration of this latter mite-giving was pointed out by Mrs. Emma L. Robertson, secretary of the directors of the Florence Crittenton Mission, who has been working at the station in Lansburgh & Bros. store on 7th street.

Mrs. Robertson says the most sympathetic worker she has seen is a cash boy in the store, who brings several pennies saved out of his lunch money, and who has encouraged several others among the clerks to contribute a few cents each day from what they would ordinarily spend for lunch.

W. C. T. U. leaders "rushing the can" and church workers "pitching pennies" are the unusual scenes that shoppers are the business section witnessed today. The women of the district are people into the promised land of brotherly love for the poor and self-sacrifice that the district might be properly cared for.

Mrs. Logan designated this as "Penny Day" and had her assistants at Burleigh's grocery store on 2nd street and other central points put big tin candy pails out on the sidewalk into which the women were encouraged to pitch pennies—and larger coins.

This also was designated as "bundle day" to encourage giving clothing for the needy. The district is also collecting for the needy. The district is also collecting for the needy. The district is also collecting for the needy.

No Congressional Contributions.

As far as could be learned today no member of Congress has yet responded to Mrs. Logan's exhortation as to who should be the first among them to give \$5. Mr. Macfarland said this morning that he had not yet responded to the call by his committee, but that none for distribution by his committee was over \$25, and the total was "certainly not over \$500" in checks for the general collection.

Three checks for \$100 each have been received, but they were designated for particular charities, and not for the general collection. The district is also collecting for the needy. The district is also collecting for the needy. The district is also collecting for the needy.

The total of the box collections at the various stations yesterday was \$250.34. The station which collected the largest amount yesterday was the station at the corner of 14th and Magruder's grocery store, Connecticut avenue and K street, which turned in \$23.45.

Mrs. Logan appealed to the civic pride of Washington today not to let the box collections be less than \$250. She said that other cities which are carrying on similar campaigns for the needy.

Mrs. Logan appealed to the civic pride of Washington today not to let the box collections be less than \$250. She said that other cities which are carrying on similar campaigns for the needy.

Mrs. Logan appealed to the civic pride of Washington today not to let the box collections be less than \$250. She said that other cities which are carrying on similar campaigns for the needy.

Makes Appeal to Visitors.

Mrs. Logan also makes a plea to the stranger within our gates. She calls attention of visitors to the capital to the fact that they are attracted here by the beauty of the city, but that they are not pestered here by street beggars because the indigent local charities provide for the poor, and feel that when the visitors to the city realize this they will be glad to each add a little to the fund for maintaining the local charities.

An excited, somewhat peevish man hurried up to the station in Woodward building, the corner of 14th and K streets. He was holding his handkerchief to his cheek and snarled out: "I ought not to give you this money. I ought not to give you this money. I ought not to give you this money."

With a shamefaced grin he said: "I guess I owe you another dime for that." He gave it to the woman, who said: "Thank you very much. I am glad to have it." He said: "Oh, these charity beggars; they are always passing the hat, but I can't refuse them." He gave her a half dollar and went away laughing.

One of the most successful little "beggars" is a pretty little girl, a year-old girl who is helping at the Episcopal Ear, Eye and Throat Hospital station, in Reeves', 1209 F street. She is a very pretty girl, and she is getting her change and then she presents herself, smiling in a way that they seldom see on the street. Sometimes they offer her some candy, but she declines, saying: "I'd rather have some pennies for the little brothers and sisters." And she usually gets some.

Mrs. Kate Waller Barrett returned to Washington today from a northern trip and started things humming at the contribution station in Lansburgh's. She didn't confine her efforts to staying in the store, but went hunting through the store "to bring stray" goats into the fold.

"Two cents will give a cup of coffee and bread to some hungry person," is the plea that is catching the sympathies of the people. Mrs. Moore & Sons, where the Gospel Mission has a stand. Scarcely any person to whom this plea is made direct refusal to hearken to it. "I may be hungry myself some day," is a not infrequent comment.

A chubby-faced little boy from the Foundling Hospital stood at the entrance to Riker-Hiseman's drug store this morning shaking a little tin box. Many who passed stopped to pat the boy's head, and a few dropped a penny into his tin bank.

Girl Scouts Will Help.

At the Girl Scouts' rally in the Epiphany Parish Hall this afternoon, announcement of the charity campaign was made, a contribution voted and a statement made that the Girl Scouts will do all they can to aid in the week's effort.

Miss Mary Nallen, superintendent of the Florence Crittenton Mission, presided again today at the "community barrels" in the Center market. One of her first visitors was a colored man who drives a grocery wagon out Brookland way. He gave her 20 cents, explaining he was driving a "jitney bus" for the cause.

refuse them." He gave her a half dollar and went away laughing. "One of the most successful little 'beggars' is a pretty little girl, a year-old girl who is helping at